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SUBJECT: EC CONFUSION OVER US INTEREST IN
JOINT DECLARATION

REF: (A) BONN 18116; (B) LONDON 14915

1. WE NOTE WITH INTEREST STATEMENT BY FRG FONOFF POL DIRECTOR VANWELL (REF A, PARA 2) THAT BOTH FRANCE AND BRITAIN HAD GAINED IMPRESSION THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER WAS NO LONGER INTERESTED IN EC DECLARATION. WHEN BUTLER, HEAD OF FCO EUROPEAN INTEGRATION DEPT, BRIEFED US ON EC SUMMIT (REF B), HE TOO SAID THAT FRANCE HAD CLAIMED THAT US WAS NO LONGER INTERESTED IN EC DECLARATION, BUT POINTEDLY ADDED THAT BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES HAD COUNTERED THIS ASSERTION AND INSISTED THAT US WAS STILL VERY MUCH INTERESTED.

2. SUBSEQUENTLY, IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION, MEMBER OF BUTLER'S DEPT INFORMED US THAT FCO HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO COME UP WITH SUGGESTED NEW LANGUAGE FOR A SHORTER, CONFIDENTIAL

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SNAPPIER DECLARATION THAT WILL CONFORM MORE CLOSELY

TO WHAT SECRETARY ORIGINALLY HAD IN MIND.

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NOTE BY OC/T: EXDIS CAPTION ADDED PER S/S-O - MR. KURZE.

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